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In re patent application of: Hua Xie and Lisa A. Buckley

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For: METHOD FOR SUTURELESSLY ATTACHING A BIOMATERIAL TO AN
IMPLANTABLE BIOPROSTHESIS FRAME

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

In response to the Notice to file missing parts dated May 13, 2004, applicant respectfully responds as follows.

Applicant received a return receipt postcard from the Patent Office that initially assigned application number 10/770,978 to the above-referenced application, and accorded a February 2, 2004 filing date. Applicant then received the Notice to File Missing Parts (for failure to pay fees) and filing receipt, which shows a filing date of February 5, 2004, and an application number of 10/773,097.

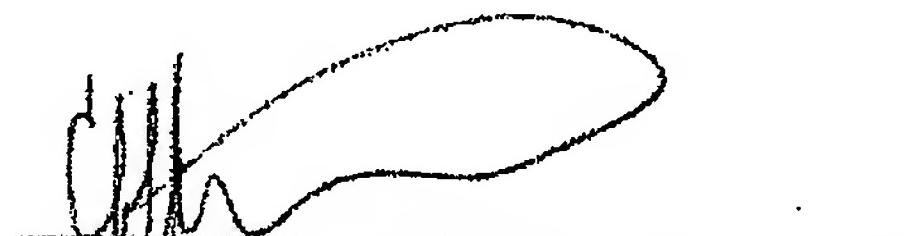
Applicant encloses a copy of the Express Mail label (Exhibit A), showing a date of deposit as February 2, 2004. We also enclosed a copy of our return receipt postcard with the PTO stamp (Exhibit B). Additionally, we enclose a credit card transaction report from the Patent Office showing that the filing fee (\$385.00), the additional claims fee (\$216.00) and assignment recordation fee (\$40.00) were charged using a Credit Card Transaction form (Exhibit C). The fees were credited to Application No. 10/770,978.

Since it appears that two serial numbers have been assigned to this one application,
Applicant respectfully requests that this application maintain the original assigned Application

No. of 10/770,978, along with the filing date of February 2, 2004. It is asked that the undersigned be contacted should further assistance be required.

Respectfully submitted,

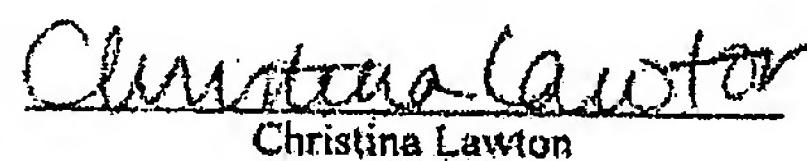
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Through an administrative error, the above identified application number was assigned to your application. The correct application number is 10/770,978. Please refer to the correct application number in all future correspondence to the Office.

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